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**Request
for
Continued Examination (RCE)
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Application Number	09/766,873
Filing Date	January 19, 2001
First Named Inventor	Su
Art Unit	1652
Examiner Name	R. Hutson
Attorney Docket Number	104385.132

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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- 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

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 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
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2. Miscellaneous

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- b. Other _____

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- i. RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) 02/04/2004 HYUONG1 00000032 080219 09766873
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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

This Amendment is responsive to the Advisory Action dated January 6, 2004. It is believed that no extensions of time are necessary to file this response. However, in the event that such an extension of time is necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the necessary fee for extending the time period to Deposit Account No. 08-0219 in order to maintain the pendency of this application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.



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Re: Applicants: Su et al.
Serial No.: 09/766,873
Filed: 19 January 2001
Entitled: *Flavobacterium Heparinum Expression System*
Our Ref: 104385.132

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith for appropriate action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office are the following documents:

1. Transmittal Letter and Fee Transmittal;
2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal;
3. Amendment Accompanying Request for Continued Examination; and
4. Postcard evidencing the same.

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Respectfully submitted,

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